GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3143
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IMPORT OF EDIBLE OIL
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Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the demand for imported edible oil has declined considerably;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor and the quantity of edible oil imported during the last two years; and

(c) the edible oil proposed to be imported during the year 2001-2002?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (S SREENIVASA PRASAD)

(a): No, Sir.

(b): Does not arise.

(c): As per the EXIM Policy import of edible oils except coconut oil is under Open General Licence (OGL). As such, the quantity of import would depend upon the commercial judgement of the importers.